

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY WASHINGTON DC 20350-1000

February 9, 2018

The Honorable John McCain III Chairman, Committee on Armed Services United States Senate Washington, DC 20510-0303

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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Sincerely,

Richard V. Spencer

Enclosures:

As stated

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The Honorable Jack F. Reed



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The Honorable Mac Thornberry Chairman, Committee on Armed Services House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-4313

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The Honorable Thad Cochran Chairman, Committee on Appropriations United States Senate Washington, DC 20510-2402

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Vice Chairman



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The Honorable Rodney P. Frelinghuysen Chairman, Committee on Appropriations House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-3011

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The Honorable Kay N. Granger Chairwoman, Subcommittee on Defense Committee on Appropriations House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515-4312

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It is important to note that in my view industry recognizes its critical role and has shown a strong desire to drive improved performance to meet Navy's needs.

Accordingly, my role is to be a knowledgeable and demanding customer, to define the requirement, and to work with Congress to establish the foundational plan to attain it.

I am sending similar letters to the other Congressional committees required by statute, and I look forward to working with you in building and sustaining the *Navy the Nation Needs*. As always, if I may be of any further assistance, please let me know.

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